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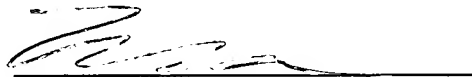
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The claims of the application as now presented are believed to patentably distinguish over the prior art and to be in condition for allowance. Early and favorable consideration of the case is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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		10-222525	21.08.1998	Japan	G06F	17/30	x	
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## OTHER PRIOR ART (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

x Patent Abstracts of Japan for Publication No. 10-222525

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